

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 570

By Grills

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Shelly Arnett on her selection as the 2021 Lake County Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Shelly Arnett is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arnett has recently been named the 2021 Lake County Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a library/media specialist at Lake County High School, Shelly Arnett teaches journalism and serves with acumen and alacrity as a teacher leader, testing coordinator, and a Senior Capstone teacher; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arnett also reaches out to her students as the teacher sponsor of the Lake County High School's local chapters of Future Teachers of America and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, an educator for more than three decades, Ms. Arnett has been an employee of Lake County Schools since 1992, having previously taught school in Tennessee for Fayette County Schools and in Missouri for St. Charles County Schools and Ralls County Schools; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arnett holds an Associate of Science degree from St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley in St. Louis, Missouri; Associate of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees from Hannibal La-Grange College in Hannibal, Missouri; and a Master of Science degree from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, she has rendered sterling service as a member of the Teacher Leader Network for the State of Tennessee, the Board of Examiners for Teacher Preparation Programs for the Tennessee Department of Education, and a number of school improvement planning committees for Lake County High School; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians, the Tennessee Education Association, Phi Kappa Phi, Gamma Beta Phi, the Lake County Education Association, which she serves as president, and the Reelfoot Lake Regional Utility District board of directors; and

WHEREAS, Shelly Arnett is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arnett serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Shelly Arnett truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Shelly Arnett on being chosen as the 2021 Lake County Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.